

Brazil: Digital Public Diplomacy for English Teachers Internship



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| Project Title | Brazil: Digital Public Diplomacy for English Teachers Internship |
| Project Summary | Contribute to ongoing digital initiatives for teacher professional development from the U.S. Department of State! Interns will design and carry out research with Brazilian teachers who have participated in Massive Online Open Courses to evaluate current courses and inform future efforts. |
| Country | Brazil |
| Country/Region of Focus | Brazil |

Project Description

Interns will work closely with the Regional English Language Office in Brasilia and the E-teacher program officer in the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs to develop and carry out research about Brazilian English language teacher participants in current Massive Online Open Courses. Brazilian teachers have had high successful participation rates in MOOCs such as Teaching Grammar Communicatively and Teaching Critical Thinking (see <https://www.aeteacher.org/MOOC>), and interns will contact past participants (email, surveys, interviews) to better understand how their participation in online professional development has impacted their classroom practices, professional development as teachers, and perceptions of the United States. Synthesized data and recommendations will be used to inform further activities with paralumni in Brazil or as consideration for future creation and delivery of MOOCs globally.

Required Skills or Interests

Skill(s)

Analytical writing

Data analysis

Research

Survey / polling design

Writing

Additional Information

Preference will be given to candidates enrolled in graduate or doctoral studies in educational technology, international education, Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL), public diplomacy, or closely related fields.

Strong foreign language skills in Portuguese are a plus but not required.

The primary audience for this research is the Office of English Language Programs in the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, including Regional English Language Offices in Brazil and other embassies worldwide.

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Language Requirements

None